

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND
LEGACY OF EMLLEN TUNNELL

(Ms. SCANLON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SCANLON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and legacy of Emlen Tunnell, who was born in Bryn Mawr almost a century ago, and became a standout football player at Radnor High School.

Last month, the U.S. Coast Guard named a Sentinel-Class Cutter for Tunnell to recognize his accomplishments as an NFL pioneer and a hero in the U.S. Coast Guard. During World War II, Mr. Tunnell received the Silver Lifesaving Medal for rescuing one shipmate from a fire during a torpedo attack and another after he fell into frigid water off Newfoundland.

After the war, Tunnell became the first Black player for the New York Giants, as well as the first Black talent scout, and first Black assistant coach in the NFL. In 1967, Tunnell became the first Black man inducted in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

When the cutter was commissioned last month, Tunnell was described as someone who didn't set out to be a trailblazer, just a great human being who wanted to make a difference in the world.

We are so proud to honor Emlen Tunnell today.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL VACCINE
MANDATE

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Madam Speaker, the Fifth Circuit Court has very recently blocked President Joe Biden's coronavirus vaccine mandate. The Court wrote that the mandate "grossly exceeds OSHA's statutory authority." This reaffirms that the President and OSHA simply cannot make up laws and penalties as they go or from thin air. So let's stop making health decisions for an entire population. Instead, let the individual and their doctor decide what preventative measures will suit them best, not a bureaucrat guessing one week to the next what that might be.

Some said—many are saying—that they would rather retire or let themselves be fired than to continue in a job situation where they are being forced to take a vaccine. I can't believe this is happening in this country. I can't believe they are trying to pin it on some 1905 State court decision of *Massachusetts v. Jacobsen*.

Losing our doctors, losing our healthcare workers to retirement would be a devastating one already to our underserved rural and urban areas. Other employees represent years and years of knowledge and talent that would be lost because of this unconstitutional mandate.

I say to President Biden: Whose side are you on?

RECOGNIZING ANDREAN HIGH
SCHOOL GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
TEAM

(Mr. MRVAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MRVAN. Madam Speaker, it is my great pleasure today to recognize the outstanding achievement of the Andean High School girls volleyball team.

Earlier this month, the 59ers won the Indiana Class 2A State Volleyball championship against Western Boone in a five-set match. Congratulations to Coach Grant Bell on his persistence and direction of this exceptional team, and special kudos as well to all the seniors for your leadership, including the starters: middle blocker, Brooke Molson; setter, Madison Kmetz; and my niece, outside hitter, Angelina Majchrowicz.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Andean 59ers and all of these impressive young athletes for their skill, tremendous hard work, and representation to our region.

You make all of Northwest Indiana and the 59er community very proud.

WAKE UP, AMERICA

(Mr. GROTHMAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GROTHMAN. Madam Speaker, the purpose of this speech is to encourage America to wake up before the Build Back Better Act passes here.

There are so many crises going on in this country. I still believe the number one is the 100,000 people a month flooding the border; but these two actions of the Biden administration intersect, and I encourage America to pay attention.

First of all, in the Build Back Better Act, we are providing amnesty to at least 7 million illegal aliens. To give that much amnesty not only is an outrage in its own right, but is encouraging more and more people to come here. The next thing that is being done is that we are guaranteeing certain bad actors will not be removed from the country. This bill provides parole for some felons, sex offenders, and members of gangs. This will be a further problem.

Madam Speaker, finally, and perhaps most absurd of all, under this bill we are getting free Pell grants, that is to say, free college for people who are coming here illegally. The American citizen, the American taxpayer is \$30,000, \$40,000, \$50,000 in debt to go to college, but people come here illegally—free college.

Wake up, America.

RUSSIA/BELARUS

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, as co-chair of the Congressional Ukraine and Polish Caucus and member of the Belarus Caucus, I rise with deep concern about Russia's expansionary combativeness in Europe.

Russia is amassing tens of thousands more troops and equipment near Ukraine's border, which it has already invaded and killed over 13,000 individuals, threatening global security. Now Belarus, with the support of Russia, is working to undermine the European Union by spearheading a migration crisis at the border with Poland, patrolled by—guess what?—Russian troops.

The free world must strongly condemn Belarus' cruel weaponization of immigration and the loss of life it is causing. As well, we must work to protect our Polish allies and the lives of desperate migrants at the border. If that is not enough, Europe is facing an energy crisis forced upon it by the Kremlin. Russia is seeking to weaponize energy to weaken the Transatlantic resolve.

To combat this, I am working with my colleagues to deliver \$300 million in investments to support the Three Seas Initiative to help Europe diversify its energy sources and restore energy independence. America must stand in strong solidarity with our European allies who love liberty.

VETERANS DAY

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, last week, on November 11, we celebrated Veterans Day. I rise today to thank our great men and women who answered the call to serve our country.

Our Nation recognizes the generations of brave men and women who have defended our freedoms and protected our great country from threats across the globe.

We owe the valiant men and women of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, National Guard, and Reserves our unwavering support and gratitude.

In Congress, we must work to ensure veterans receive the care and support they so deserve, even after they transition from uniform to civilian lives. I am proud to support legislation in Congress focused on mental health and telehealth, spouses and families, and accountability from the VA.

Madam Speaker, our veterans and their families have given so much for this country and ask so little in return. I offer my sincere gratitude one last time to the men and women who have selflessly served our country in the United States military.

God bless our military and God bless the United States of America.